**Trains linking Delhi and Mangalore**

601. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite the heavy traffic and demand from the public, the number of trains linking Delhi and Mangalore are few;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether Government propose to introduce a few more super-fast trains on this section; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) At present 2431/2432 Nizamuddin-Trivandrum Rajdhani, 2617/2618 Nizamuddin-Ernakulam Express and 6687/6688 Jammu Tawi-Mangalore (weekly) trains are serving Delhi-Mangalore sector.

(c) and (d) Introduction of additional trains between Delhi and Mangalore is not feasible at present due to operational and resource constraints.

**Use of plastic tumbler, cups and carry bags**

†602. SHRI BALAWANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the use of plastic tumbler, cups and carry bags used by vendors has been banned in the trains;

(b) if so, whether despite that they are being used at every railway station and pantry-car openly;

(c) whether any provision exists to take action against such vendors; and

(d) if so, the number of vendors against whom action has been taken?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.